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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We have excellent broadband service with a local provider in Davis, CA , Omsoft, , At reasonable cost, Omsoft provides us with both internet and telephone service. Not only does our local provider, Omsoft, sustain our local economy--its talented employees are also responsive and available to help customers solve problems. We think the move to strangle broadband competition would be destructive to such fine local companies.

These companies, offer far better service than MegaGiant companies, and at a very fair cost. There are no hidden add ons to our bill, as we experienced with a mega company, prior to our deciding on Omsoft. We are thankful to have in our small city, a company that offers exactly what we need. We believe in supporting local businesses, which sustain us in a vibrant and caring community. We urge you, the FCC, to turn down the US TELECOM ASSN.'s request to kill the the line sharing aspect of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Small competitors should be helped to grow and thrive. Competition supports new development, creative work, and the building of community. If ISP's across the nation lose access to their main Internet Transport medium, the Public Switched Telephone System, (PSTN) it will destroy excellent businesses, hurt job creation, and growth, and impact revenue for small towns and cities nationwide.

We find this request by the US TELECOM ASSN. appalling! Therefore, we urge you to keep in place the requirements of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

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